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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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## A BILL

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2   *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3   **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “District of Columbia-  
5   Maryland Reunion Act”.

6   **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7       Congress finds the following:

8           (1) Article I, section 2, clause 1 of the United  
9   States Constitution states that the “House of Rep-  
10   resentatives shall be composed of members chosen  
11   every second year by the people of the several  
12   states.”.

13           (2) The Founding Fathers did not consider the  
14   proposed district that would become Washington,  
15   DC, a State under the Constitution, as evidenced  
16   when Alexander Hamilton offered an amendment to  
17   the Constitution during the New York ratification to  
18   provide full congressional representation to Wash-  
19   ington, DC, but the convention rejected the amend-  
20   ment on July 22, 1788.

21           (3) Chief Justice Marshall held in Hepburn v.  
22   Ellzey in 1805 that the term “states” in Article I,  
23   section 2, clause 1 of the Constitution does not in-  
24   clude Washington, DC, for representation purposes.

1                     (4) Seven Supreme Court Justices affirmed  
2 Chief Justice Marshall's Hepburn reasoning in Na-  
3 tional Mut. Ins. Co. of Dist. of Col. v. Tidewater  
4 Transfer Co. in 1949.

5                     (5) A Democrat-controlled Congress in 1978 at-  
6 tempted to amend the Constitution to provide Wash-  
7 ington, DC, with full congressional representation.  
8 The Committee on the Judiciary of the House of  
9 Representatives reported the resolution and stated  
10 that granting congressional representation to the  
11 District of Columbia as it is presently constituted  
12 would require a constitutional amendment, because  
13 "statutory action alone will not suffice".

14                     (6) Amending the Constitution requires two-  
15 thirds approval by each house of Congress and rati-  
16 fication by three-fourths of the States. In 1978,  
17 there was success in obtaining a favorable vote from  
18 two-thirds of both the House and the Senate on a  
19 constitutional amendment to provide Washington,  
20 DC, with full congressional representation, but the  
21 requirement for ratification by three-fourths of the  
22 States could not be obtained.

23                     (7) An alternative to a potentially lengthy and  
24 difficult constitutional amendment process is ceding  
25 Washington, DC, back to Maryland, just as an area

1       of 31 square miles that was originally ceded by Vir-  
2       ginia was returned to that State by Federal legisla-  
3       tion in 1847, thereby ensuring that the portion of  
4       Washington, DC, in Virginia would have Senate and  
5       House representation.

6                 (8) In 1847, there was a desire to allow the  
7       District of Columbia land on the west side of the Po-  
8       tomac River that was not being used by the Federal  
9       Government to have its own proper representation in  
10      Congress.

11                (9) Obtaining the desired representation for  
12       this portion of Washington, DC, would have required  
13       a constitutional amendment unless the land were  
14       given back to Virginia.

15                (10) Instead of trying to pass a constitutional  
16       amendment, Congress in 1847 legislatively ceded  
17       back to Virginia from the District of Columbia the  
18       non-Federal land composed of 31 square miles on  
19       the west side of the Potomac River.

20                (11) Accordingly, the District of Columbia  
21       would clearly and constitutionally have 2 Senators  
22       and a Representative with full voting rights by  
23       ceding the District of Columbia to Maryland after  
24       Maryland's acceptance of such retrocession, while  
25       maintaining the exclusive legislative authority and

1 control of Congress over the National Capital Serv-  
2 ice Area in the District of Columbia.

3 **SEC. 3. RETROCESSION OF DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA TO**  
4 **MARYLAND.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Upon the issuance of a proclama-  
6 tion by the President under section 8 and except as pro-  
7 vided in subsection (b), the territory ceded to Congress  
8 by the State of Maryland to serve as the District consti-  
9 tuting the permanent seat of the Government of the  
10 United States is ceded and relinquished to the State of  
11 Maryland.

12 (b) CONTINUATION OF FEDERAL CONTROL OVER  
13 NATIONAL CAPITAL SERVICE AREA.—Notwithstanding  
14 subsection (a), the National Capital Service Area de-  
15 scribed in section 5 shall not be ceded and relinquished  
16 to the State of Maryland and shall continue to serve as  
17 the permanent seat of the Government of the United  
18 States, and Congress shall continue to exercise exclusive  
19 legislative authority and control over such Area.

20 **SEC. 4. EFFECT ON JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS IN DISTRICT**  
21 **OF COLUMBIA.**

22 (a) CONTINUATION OF SUITS.—No writ, action, in-  
23 dictment, cause, or proceeding pending in any court of the  
24 District of Columbia on the effective date of this Act shall  
25 abate as a result of the enactment of this Act, but shall

1 be transferred and shall proceed within such appropriate  
2 court of the State of Maryland as established under the  
3 laws or constitution of the State of Maryland.

4 (b) APPEALS.—An order or decision of any court of  
5 the District of Columbia for which no appeal has been filed  
6 as of the effective date of this Act shall be considered an  
7 order or decision of a court of the State of Maryland for  
8 purposes of appeal from and appellate review of such order  
9 or decision in an appropriate court of the State of Mary-  
10 land.

**11 SEC. 5. NATIONAL CAPITAL SERVICE AREA DESCRIBED.**

12 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subsections (c), (d),  
13 and (e), upon the retrocession under section 3(a), the Na-  
14 tional Capital Service Area referred to in section 3(b) is  
15 comprised of the principal Federal monuments, the White  
16 House, the United States Capitol, the United States Su-  
17 preme Court Building, and the Federal executive, legisla-  
18 tive, and judicial office buildings located adjacent to the  
19 Mall and the United States Capitol (but shall not include  
20 the District Building), and is more particularly described  
21 as the territory located within the boundaries described  
22 in subsection (b).

23 (b) GENERAL DESCRIPTION.—The boundaries of the  
24 National Capital Service Area shall be as follows: Begin-  
25 ning at the intersection of the southern right-of-way of

1 F Street NE and the eastern right-of-way of 2nd Street  
2 NE;

3 (1) thence south along said eastern right-of-way  
4 of 2nd Street NE to its intersection with the north-  
5 eastern right-of-way of Maryland Avenue NE;

6 (2) thence southwest along said northeastern  
7 right-of-way of Maryland Avenue NE to its intersec-  
8 tion with the northern right-of-way of Constitution  
9 Avenue NE;

10 (3) thence west along said northern right-of-  
11 way of Constitution Avenue NE to its intersection  
12 with the eastern right-of-way of 1st Street NE;

13 (4) thence south along said eastern right-of-way  
14 of 1st Street NE to its intersection with the south-  
15 eastern right-of-way of Maryland Avenue NE;

16 (5) thence northeast along said southeastern  
17 right-of-way of Maryland Avenue NE to its intersec-  
18 tion with the eastern right-of-way of 2nd Street SE;

19 (6) thence south along said eastern right-of-way  
20 of 2nd Street SE to the eastern right-of-way of 2nd  
21 Street SE;

22 (7) thence south along said eastern right-of-way  
23 of 2nd Street SE to its intersection with the north-  
24 ern property boundary of the property designated as  
25 Square 760 Lot 803;

1                   (8) thence east along said northern property  
2                   boundary of Square 760 Lot 803 to its intersection  
3                   with the western right-of-way of 3rd Street SE;

4                   (9) thence south along said western right-of-  
5                   way of 3rd Street SE to its intersection with the  
6                   northern right-of-way of Independence Avenue SE;

7                   (10) thence west along said northern right-of-  
8                   way of Independence Avenue SE to its intersection  
9                   with the northwestern right-of-way of Pennsylvania  
10                  Avenue SE;

11                  (11) thence northwest along said northwestern  
12                  right-of-way of Pennsylvania Avenue SE to its inter-  
13                  section with the eastern right-of-way of 2nd Street  
14                  SE;

15                  (12) thence south along said eastern right-of-  
16                  way of 2nd Street SE to its intersection with the  
17                  southern right-of-way of C Street SE;

18                  (13) thence west along said southern right-of-  
19                  way of C Street SE to its intersection with the east-  
20                  ern right-of-way of 1st Street SE;

21                  (14) thence south along said eastern right-of-  
22                  way of 1st Street SE to its intersection with the  
23                  southern right-of-way of D Street SE;

1                         (15) thence west along said southern right-of-  
2 way of D Street SE to its intersection with the east-  
3 ern right-of-way of South Capitol Street;

4                         (16) thence south along said eastern right-of-  
5 way of South Capitol Street to its intersection with  
6 the northwestern right-of-way of Canal Street SE;

7                         (17) thence southeast along said northwestern  
8 right-of-way of Canal Street SE to its intersection  
9 with the southern right-of-way of E Street SE;

10                        (18) thence east along said southern right-of-  
11 way of said E Street SE to its intersection with the  
12 western right-of-way of 1st Street SE;

13                        (19) thence south along said western right-of-  
14 way of 1st Street SE to its intersection with the  
15 southernmost corner of the property designated as  
16 Square 736S Lot 801;

17                        (20) thence west along a line extended due west  
18 from said corner of said property designated as  
19 Square 736S Lot 801 to its intersection with the  
20 southwestern right-of-way of New Jersey Avenue  
21 SE;

22                        (21) thence southeast along said southwestern  
23 right-of-way of New Jersey Avenue SE to its inter-  
24 section with the northwestern right-of-way of Vir-  
25 ginia Avenue SE;

1                   (22) thence northwest along said northwestern  
2 right-of-way of Virginia Avenue SE to its intersec-  
3 tion with the western right-of-way of South Capitol  
4 Street;

5                   (23) thence north along said western right-of-  
6 way of South Capitol Street to its intersection with  
7 the southern right-of-way of E Street SW;

8                   (24) thence west along said southern right-of-  
9 way of E Street SW to its end;

10                  (25) thence west along a line extending said  
11 southern right-of-way of E Street SW westward to  
12 its intersection with the eastern right-of-way of 2nd  
13 Street SW;

14                  (26) thence north along said eastern right-of-  
15 way of 2nd Street SW to its intersection with the  
16 southwestern right-of-way of Virginia Avenue SW;

17                  (27) thence northwest along said southwestern  
18 right-of-way of Virginia Avenue SW to its intersec-  
19 tion with the western right-of-way of 3rd Street SW;

20                  (28) thence north along said western right-of-  
21 way of 3rd Street SW to its intersection with the  
22 northern right-of-way of D Street SW;

23                  (29) thence west along said northern right-of-  
24 way of D Street SW to its intersection with the east-  
25 ern right-of-way of 4th Street SW;

1                   (30) thence north along said eastern right-of-  
2 way of 4th Street SW to its intersection with the  
3 northern right-of-way of C Street SW;

4                   (31) thence west along said northern right-of-  
5 way of C Street SW to its intersection with the east-  
6 ern right-of-way of 6th Street SW;

7                   (32) thence north along said eastern right-of-  
8 way of 6th Street SW to its intersection with the  
9 northern right-of-way of Independence Avenue SW;

10                  (33) thence west along said northern right-of-  
11 way of Independence Avenue SW to its intersection  
12 with the western right-of-way of 12th Street SW;

13                  (34) thence south along said western right-of-  
14 way of 12th Street SW to its intersection with the  
15 northern right-of-way of D Street SW;

16                  (35) thence west along said northern right-of-  
17 way of D Street SW to its intersection with the east-  
18 ern right-of-way of 14th Street SW;

19                  (36) thence south along said eastern right-of-  
20 way of 14th Street SW to its intersection with the  
21 northeastern boundary of the Consolidated Rail Cor-  
22 poration railroad easement;

23                  (37) thence southwest along said northeastern  
24 boundary of the Consolidated Rail Corporation rail-

1 road easement to its intersection with the eastern  
2 shore of the Potomac River;

3 (38) thence generally northwest along said east-  
4 ern shore of the Potomac River to its intersection  
5 with a line extending westward the northern bound-  
6 ary of the property designated as Square 12 Lot  
7 806;

8 (39) thence east along said line extending west-  
9 ward the northern boundary of the property des-  
10 ignated as Square 12 Lot 806 to the northern prop-  
11 erty boundary of the property designated as Square  
12 12 Lot 806, and continuing east along said northern  
13 boundary of said property designated as Square 12  
14 Lot 806 to its northeast corner;

15 (40) thence east along a line extending east  
16 from said northeast corner of the property des-  
17 ignated as Square 12 Lot 806 to its intersection  
18 with the western boundary of the property des-  
19 ignated as Square 33 Lot 87;

20 (41) thence south along said western boundary  
21 of the property designated as Square 33 Lot 87 to  
22 its intersection with the northwest corner of the  
23 property designated as Square 33 Lot 88;

24 (42) thence counter-clockwise around the  
25 boundary of said property designated as Square 33

1       Lot 88 to its southeast corner, which is along the  
2       northern right-of-way of E Street NW;

3               (43) thence east along said northern right-of-  
4       way of E Street NW to its intersection with the  
5       western right-of-way of 18th Street NW;

6               (44) thence south along said western right-of-  
7       way of 18th Street NW to its intersection with the  
8       southwestern right-of-way of Virginia Avenue NW;

9               (45) thence southeast along said southwestern  
10      right-of-way of Virginia Avenue NW to its intersec-  
11      tion with the northern right-of-way of Constitution  
12      Avenue NW;

13               (46) thence east along said northern right-of-  
14      way of Constitution Avenue NW to its intersection  
15      with the eastern right-of-way of 17th Street NW;

16               (47) thence north along said eastern right-of-  
17      way of 17th Street NW to its intersection with the  
18      southern right-of-way of H Street NW;

19               (48) thence east along said southern right-of-  
20      way of H Street NW to its intersection with the  
21      northwest corner of the property designated as  
22      Square 221 Lot 35;

23               (49) thence counter-clockwise around the  
24      boundary of said property designated as Square 221  
25      Lot 35 to its southeast corner, which is along the

1       boundary of the property designated as Square 221  
2       Lot 37;

3               (50) thence counter-clockwise around the  
4       boundary of said property designated as Square 221  
5       Lot 37 to its southwest corner, which it shares with  
6       the property designated as Square 221 Lot 818;

7               (51) thence south along the boundary of said  
8       property designated as Square 221 Lot 818 to its  
9       southwest corner, which it shares with the property  
10      designated as Square 221 Lot 40;

11               (52) thence south along the boundary of said  
12      property designated as Square 221 Lot 40 to its  
13      southwest corner;

14               (53) thence east along the southern border of  
15      said property designated as Square 221 Lot 40 to  
16      its intersection with the northwest corner of the  
17      property designated as Square 221 Lot 820;

18               (54) thence south along the western boundary  
19      of said property designated as Square 221 Lot 820  
20      to its southwest corner, which it shares with the  
21      property designated as Square 221 Lot 39;

22               (55) thence south along the western boundary  
23      of said property designated as Square 221 Lot 39  
24      to its southwest corner, which is along the northern  
25      right-of-way of Pennsylvania Avenue NW;

1                   (56) thence east along said northern right-of-  
2 way of Pennsylvania Avenue NW to its intersection  
3 with the western right-of-way of 15th Street NW;

4                   (57) thence south along said western right-of-  
5 way of 15th Street NW to its intersection with a line  
6 extending northwest from the southern right-of-way  
7 of the portion of Pennsylvania Avenue NW north of  
8 Pershing Square;

9                   (58) thence southeast along said line extending  
10 the southern right-of-way of Pennsylvania Avenue  
11 NW to the southern right-of-way of Pennsylvania  
12 Avenue NW, and continuing southeast along said  
13 southern right-of-way of Pennsylvania Avenue NW  
14 to its intersection with the western right-of-way of  
15 14th Street NW;

16                   (59) thence south along said western right-of-  
17 way of 14th Street NW to its intersection with a line  
18 extending west from the southern right-of-way of D  
19 Street NW;

20                   (60) thence east along said line extending west  
21 from the southern right-of-way of D Street NW to  
22 the southern right-of-way of D Street NW, and con-  
23 tinuing east along said southern right-of-way of D  
24 Street NW to its intersection with the eastern right-  
25 of-way of 13½ Street NW;

1                   (61) thence north along said eastern right-of-  
2 way of 13½ Street NW to its intersection with the  
3 southern right-of-way of Pennsylvania Avenue NW;

4                   (62) thence east and southeast along said  
5 southern right-of-way of Pennsylvania Avenue NW  
6 to its intersection with the western right-of-way of  
7 12th Street NW;

8                   (63) thence south along said western right-of-  
9 way of 12th Street NW to its intersection with a line  
10 extending to the west the southern boundary of the  
11 property designated as Square 324 Lot 809;

12                  (64) thence east along said line to the south-  
13 west corner of said property designated as Square  
14 324 Lot 809, and continuing northeast along the  
15 southern boundary of said property designated as  
16 Square 324 Lot 809 to its eastern corner, which it  
17 shares with the property designated as Square 323  
18 Lot 802;

19                  (65) thence east along the southern boundary  
20 of said property designated as Square 323 Lot 802  
21 to its southeast corner, which it shares with the  
22 property designated as Square 324 Lot 808;

23                  (66) thence counter-clockwise around the  
24 boundary of said property designated as Square 324  
25 Lot 808 to its northeastern corner, which is along

1       the southern right-of-way of Pennsylvania Avenue  
2       NW;

3               (67) thence southeast along said southern right-  
4       of-way of Pennsylvania Avenue NW to its intersec-  
5       tion with the eastern right-of-way of 4th Street NW;

6               (68) thence north along a line extending north  
7       from said eastern right-of-way of 4th Street NW to  
8       its intersection with the southern right-of-way of C  
9       Street NW;

10              (69) thence east along said southern right-of-  
11       way of C Street NW to its intersection with the east-  
12       ern right-of-way of 3rd Street NW;

13              (70) thence north along said eastern right-of-  
14       way of 3rd Street NW to its intersection with the  
15       southern right-of-way of D Street NW;

16              (71) thence east along said southern right-of-  
17       way of D Street NW to its intersection with the  
18       western right-of-way of 1st Street NW;

19              (72) thence south along said western right-of-  
20       way of 1st Street NW to its intersection with the  
21       northern right-of-way of C Street NW;

22              (73) thence west along said northern right-of-  
23       way of C Street NW to its intersection with the  
24       western right-of-way of 2nd Street NW;

1                   (74) thence south along said western right-of-  
2 way of 2nd Street NW to its intersection with the  
3 northern right-of-way of Constitution Avenue NW;

4                   (75) thence east along said northern right-of-  
5 way of Constitution Avenue NW to its intersection  
6 with the northeastern right-of-way of Louisiana Ave-  
7 nue NW;

8                   (76) thence northeast along said northeastern  
9 right-of-way of Louisiana Avenue NW to its inter-  
10 section with the southwestern right-of-way of New  
11 Jersey Avenue NW;

12                  (77) thence northwest along said southwestern  
13 right-of-way of New Jersey Avenue NW to its inter-  
14 section with the northern right-of-way of D Street  
15 NW;

16                  (78) thence east along said northern right-of-  
17 way of D Street NW to its intersection with the  
18 northeastern right-of-way of Louisiana Avenue NW;

19                  (79) thence northeast along said northwestern  
20 right-of-way of Louisiana Avenue NW to its inter-  
21 section with the western right-of-way of North Cap-  
22 itol Street;

23                  (80) thence north along said western right-of-  
24 way of North Capitol Street to its intersection with

1       the southwestern right-of-way of Massachusetts Ave-  
2       nue NW;

3               (81) thence southeast along said southwestern  
4       right-of-way of Massachusetts Avenue NW to the  
5       southwestern right-of-way of Massachusetts Avenue  
6       NE;

7               (82) thence southeast along said southwestern  
8       right-of-way of Massachusetts Avenue NE to the  
9       southern right-of-way of Columbus Circle NE;

10              (83) thence counter-clockwise along said south-  
11       ern right-of-way of Columbus Circle NE to its inter-  
12       section with the southern right-of way of F Street  
13       NE; and

14              (84) thence east along said southern right-of-  
15       way of F Street NE to the point of beginning.

16           (c) STREETS AND SIDEWALKS.—The Federal Dis-  
17       trict shall include any street (and sidewalk thereof) that  
18       bounds the area described in subsection (b).

19           (d) METES AND BOUNDS SURVEY.—Not later than  
20       180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the  
21       President (in consultation with the Chair of the National  
22       Capital Planning Commission) shall conduct a metes and  
23       bounds survey of the National Capital Service Area, as  
24       described in subsection (b).

1       (e) CLARIFICATION OF TREATMENT OF FRANCES  
2 PERKINS BUILDING.—The entirety of the Frances Per-  
3 kins Building, including any portion of the Building which  
4 is north of D Street Northwest, shall be included in the  
5 National Capital Service Area.

6 **SEC. 6. TRANSITION PROVISIONS RELATING TO HOUSE OF  
7 REPRESENTATIVES.**

8       (a) TEMPORARY INCREASE IN APPORTIONMENT.—  
9           (1) IN GENERAL.—Until the taking effect of the  
10          first reapportionment occurring after the effective  
11          date of this Act—

12              (A) the individual serving as the Delegate  
13          to the House of Representatives from the Dis-  
14          trict of Columbia shall serve as a member of  
15          the House of Representatives from the State of  
16          Maryland;

17              (B) the State of Maryland shall be entitled  
18          to 1 additional Representative until the taking  
19          effect of such reapportionment; and

20              (C) such Representative shall be in addi-  
21          tion to the membership of the House of Rep-  
22          resentatives as now prescribed by law.

23           (2) INCREASE NOT COUNTED AGAINST TOTAL  
24          NUMBER OF MEMBERS.—The temporary increase in  
25          the membership of the House of Representatives

1 provided under paragraph (1) shall not operate to ei-  
2 ther increase or decrease the permanent membership  
3 of the House of Representatives as prescribed in the  
4 Act of August 8, 1911 (37 Stat. 13; 2 U.S.C. 2),  
5 nor shall such temporary increase affect the basis of  
6 reapportionment established by the Act of November  
7 15, 1941 (55 Stat. 761; 2 U.S.C. 2a), for the 82nd  
8 Congress and each Congress thereafter.

9 (b) REPEAL OF LAWS PROVIDING FOR DELEGATE  
10 FROM THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.—

11 (1) IN GENERAL.—Sections 202 and 204 of the  
12 District of Columbia Delegate Act (Public Law 91–  
13 405; sections 1–401 and 1–402, D.C. Official Code)  
14 are repealed, and the provisions of law amended or  
15 repealed by such sections are restored or revived as  
16 if such sections had not been enacted.

17 (2) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made  
18 by this subsection shall take effect on the date on  
19 which the individual serving as the Delegate to the  
20 House of Representatives from the District of Co-  
21 lumbia first serves as a member of the House of  
22 Representatives from the State of Maryland.

23 **SEC. 7. EFFECT ON OTHER LAWS.**

24 No law or regulation which is in force on the effective  
25 date of this Act shall be deemed amended or repealed by

1 this Act except to the extent specifically provided in this  
2 Act, or to the extent that such law or regulation is incon-  
3 sistent with this Act.

4 **SEC. 8. PROCLAMATION REGARDING ACCEPTANCE OF RET-  
5 ROCESSION BY MARYLAND.**

6 (a) PROCLAMATION BY STATE OF MARYLAND.—Not  
7 later than 30 days after the State of Maryland enacts leg-  
8 islation accepting the retrocession described in section  
9 3(a), the President shall issue a proclamation announcing  
10 such acceptance and declaring that the territory ceded to  
11 Congress by the State of Maryland to serve as the District  
12 constituting the permanent seat of the Government of the  
13 United States has been ceded back to the State of Mary-  
14 land.

15 (b) REPORT BY CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE  
16 ON ECONOMIC IMPACT.—

17 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Director of the Con-  
18 gressional Budget Office shall prepare a report ana-  
19 lyzing the anticipated economic impact on the State  
20 of Maryland of the State's acceptance of the ret-  
21 rocession described in section 3(a), including the an-  
22 ticipated effect on the budgets of the State govern-  
23 ment and local governments, and shall submit the  
24 report to Congress and the Governor of Maryland.

## 1                   (2) DELAY IN ENACTMENT OF LEGISLATION.—

2         The State of Maryland may not enact legislation ac-  
3         cepting the retrocession described in section 3(a)  
4         until the expiration of the 1-year period which be-  
5         gins on the date the Director of the Congressional  
6         Budget Office submits the report prepared under  
7         paragraph (1) to the Governor of Maryland.

8   **SEC. 9. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

9         The provisions of this Act and the amendments made  
10    by this Act shall take effect on the date the President  
11    issues a proclamation under section 8 or the date of the  
12    ratification of an amendment to the Constitution of the  
13    United States repealing the twenty-third article of amend-  
14    ment to the Constitution, whichever comes later.

